THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b). Certain irregularities in respect of accounting and disposal of confiscated goods were pointed out in the Inspection Report of 1986 on Bombay Custom House of the Directorate of Preventive Operations.

(c) to (e). The various aspects of the irregularities pointed out in the inspection report are under investigation.

[*Translation*]

Legal Aid Assistance to Social Action Group in Orissa, U.P. and Bihar

1749. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:
SHRI HARKEWAL PRASAD:
SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the name of the Social Auction Group in Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar which have been provided Legal Assistande and resources under the Legal Assistance Scheme during the last three years;

(b) the jurisdiction of the said Social Action Groups;

(c) whether the Government have received any complaints about the working of these Social Action Group; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) The following Social Action Groups in Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar were provided financial assistance by Committee for Implementing Legal Aid Schemes during the financial years 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 :-

Name of the state	*1988-89*	*1989-90*	*1990-91*
Orissa	Nil	(i) Nilachal seva Pratisthan, Benagaon, Distt. Puri. (ii) Association of Moral Guide & Legal Aid Services to Poor, Bhubaneswar.	Nil
Uttar pradesh	Nil	Institute of Social Health Welfare, Rural Development & Educational Society, Distt. Faizabad.	Jan prayas pariara, Distt. Mau.
Bihar	(i) Rural Entitlement & Legal Support Centre, Patna	(i) Satya Path, Listt. Gaya.	(i) Free Legal Aid Committee Jamshedpur.

Name of the state	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
	(ii) New Bharat Jagriti Kendra, Vill. Behra (Bihar).	(ii) Rural Entitlement & Legal Support Centre Patna.	(ii) Kanooni Salah Kendra, Patna
	(iii) Kanooni Salah Kendra, Patna.	(iii) Kanooni Salah Kendra, Patna.	(iii) Satya Path, Distt. Gaya.

(b) Social Action Groups normally organise Legal Aid Programmes in their District or State. The field of operation of the Social Action Groups is determined by their respective constitution

(c) No, Sir.

(d) In view of reply to part (c), the question does not arise.

[*English*]

Repayment of ARDRS Loans

1750. SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal for extension of the period for repayment of loans granted under Agricultural and Rural Debt Relief Scheme, 1990 to State Governments;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, State-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c). Under the Agricultural and Rural Debt Relief (ARDR) Scheme, 1990 formulated by the Government of India for providing debt relief to the farmers, rural artisans and weavers, the State Governments were extended loans by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) through the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) at a concessional rate of interest of 10% per annum repayble in three equal annual instalments by March and 1991, 1992 and 1993 to meet 50% share of the amounts written off by Cooperatives. These loans were not given by Government. Requests were received from some of the State Governments, seeking extension of the period of repayment of the loans beyond the stipulated period of three years. The proposals were, however, not agreed to by RBI as the terms of loans were already concessional.

Share Capital of RRBs

1751. SHRI YAIMA SINGH YUMNAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have increased the amount of share capital to be contributed to the Regional Rural Banks;

(b) if so, whether the said capital has